

NOTICE OF 30-DAY PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD 2019 Reynolds Avenue North Charleston, South Carolina

DHEC (the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control) is accepting public comments on a proposed Voluntary Cleanup Contract through April 18, 2018.

The Voluntary Cleanup Contract, 18-6529-NRP, will affect approximately 0.11 acres located at 2019 Reynolds Avenue, North Charleston, South Carolina. The property is further identified by Charleston County Tax Map Serial Number 469-12-00-005. A company known as Metanoia, wants to acquire the property and intends to develop the property to support local entrepreneurship and expand their Youth Entrepreneurship Center.

The property was previously used for commercial purposes including clothing retail, craft supplies, and dry-cleaning. The past use of the property or adjoining properties may have caused environmental pollution on the property.

This Voluntary Cleanup Contract will be between DHEC and Metanoia. DHEC uses Voluntary Cleanup Contracts to encourage productive reuse of Brownfield sites. DHEC will not hold Metanoia responsible for pre-existing pollution in exchange for doing work under the Voluntary Cleanup Contract. Under the proposed contract, Metanoia will test soil and groundwater on the property. If significant contamination is found, Metanoia will be required to take steps to protect human health and the environment. Metanoia did not create the pollution, but will control it to keep the property safe for re-use. Under State law, Metanoia will not be responsible if anyone has been affected by the contamination. The responsibility of former owners or operators of the property is not reduced by this contract.

The proposed contract is available at http://www.scdhec.gov/PublicNotices/. Printed copies may be obtained from the DHEC Freedom of Information Office at (803) 898-3882.

The public may provide written, email, or telephone comments on the proposed contract through April 18, 2018. Questions or comments may be directed to Chris Stanbery, Project Manager, by e-mail at stanbeca@dhec.sc.gov telephone (803) 898-0924, or Alex Fulmer at TOLL-FREE telephone (866) 576-3432. Written comments should be directed to Chris Stanbery at SCDHEC, 2600 Bull Street, Columbia, SC 29201.